

# **Caltrans Intercity Rail Program**

Third Quarter 2010-11  
Rail Operations Report

*Caltrans Division of Rail*

# **STATEWIDE OVERVIEW–Third Quarter**

- Third Quarter performance continues upward trends.
- Combined ridership was up 8.2% from prior year's Third Quarter.
- Revenues increased 11.8% and expenses declined 0.4%.
- Overall farebox ratio increased to 43.5% from 38.8%.
- Combined on-time performance was 89.4%, 3.7 percentage points above last year.

# **Pacific Surfliner Route—Third Quarter**

- Ridership was up 7.8% over prior year's Third Quarter.
- January set an all time ridership record for that month.
- Revenues increased 10.9% and expenses increased only 0.3%.
- Farebox Ratio was 47.2% up from 42.6%.

# **Pacific Surfliner Route—Third Quarter**

- On-time performance for the entire route was 81.8%, up 1.2 percentage points.
- OTP – South (between Los Angeles and San Diego) was 85.4%, up 7.4 percentage points.
- OTP - North (between San Luis Obispo and Los Angeles) was 69.3%, down 11.4 percentage points.

# **Pacific Surfliner Route—Third Quarter**

- Service north of LA impacted by host railroad (UP) trackwork maintenance projects, weather related disruptions due to storm damage between Santa Barbara and Ventura, and by the relocation of the UP dispatcher's office from LA to Omaha, that controls the line from San Luis Obispo to Santa Barbara.
- OTP should improve when maintenance program is concluded and UP dispatching transition is completed, and the dispatchers become familiar with the new territory.

# **San Joaquin Route—Third Quarter**

- All Financial and performance measures were up.
- Ridership increased 3.5% compared to prior year's Third Quarter.
- Sixth consecutive quarter of increased ridership; all time records set in for each month of this quarter.
- Revenues increased 11.9% and expenses were down 1.9%.
- Farebox Ratio increased to 43.5% from 38.2%.
- OTP was 90.2%, up 2.4 percentage points.

# **Capitol Corridor—Third Quarter**

- Ridership increased 11.6% compared to prior year's Third Quarter.
- Each month of the quarter set an all-time monthly ridership records; plus ridership for each of the past 9 months outperformed the prior years.
- Revenues were up 13.3% and expenses up only 0.1%.
- Farebox Ratio was 37.9%, up from 33.5%.
- OTP was 95.4%, up 6.3 percentage points, setting the all time Third Quarter OTP record, and the third successive quarter with OTP in excess of 95%.

## **Fourth Quarter Statewide Preview**

- Combined ridership for the first two months of the Quarter (April and May) was up 9.1%.
- San Joaquin Route: 12 month ridership period May 2010-April 2011 exceeded one million passengers.
- Revenues increased 15.4%, with record revenues for each month on all three routes.
- On-time performance was 89.4%, 4.1 percentage points above last year.



# **Fourth Quarter Statewide Preview**

- Route highlights for April-May 2011:
  - Pacific Surfliner Route – Ridership up 6.2% - April set record; OTP 82.3%.
  - San Joaquin Route – Ridership up 15.5% - April and May set records; OTP 90.6%.
  - Capitol Corridor – Ridership up 10.3% - April set record; OTP 95.7%.